



HOMELESS SHELTER PROGRAM

Since 1991, VA's Loan Guaranty Service has administered the Homeless Shelter Program (HSP) to sell properties at a discount to preferred organizations, nonprofit organizations and local governments to provide shelter for homeless Veterans. To be eligible, properties must (1) be vacant with title approved by VA Regional Counsel (2) be listed for sale for more than 30 days, and (3) not have any repairs in progress. Properties must be used to shelter homeless Veterans for no less than three years.

Length of Time the Property Has Been Listed	Discount from Current List Price
At least 1, but less than 2 months	20%
At least 2, but less than 3 months	35%
3 months or more	50%

THE PURCHASE PROCESS

- All VA-acquired properties listed for more than 30 days will be eligible for HSP. Visit www.benefits.va.gov/homeloans for information about properties.
- Purchase offers must be submitted through the VA's Property Management Service Provider and must include a provision limiting the use of the property in accordance with VA requirements to use the property as a shelter for homeless Veterans for a period of three years.



DEFINITIONS

Preferred Organization: Prescribed by 38 U.S.C. § 5902 preferred organization include the American National Red Cross, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars and such other organizations that VA may approve.

Qualified Nonprofit Organization: A Qualified Nonprofit Organization may sell or donate properties directly to Veterans or provide support to other nonprofit organizations involved in the same objective. To become a qualified nonprofit organization an entity must be formed for not-for-profit purposes, must have sufficient financial stability, and a record of success in reducing homelessness. The entity must also submit a property-use statement of intent acceptable to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

To become a qualified nonprofit organization, contact the Loan Guaranty Officer in the Regional Loan Center of jurisdiction. A list of offices is available online at www.benefits.va.gov/homeloans/contact_rlc_info.asp.

If you or any Veteran you know may be facing homelessness, please contact the National Call Center for Homeless Veterans
1-877-4AID VET (877-424-3838) or visit www.va.gov/homeless.



